

Frankford Arsenal, Building 66
North of Benet Road and east of Walbach Street
between Building 64 and 65
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Philadelphia County
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Location: North of Benet Road and east of Walbach Street between Buildings 64 and 65
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania

Quad: Frankford

Date of Construction: 1918

Significance: This small magazine is peripherally associated with the development and testing of ammunition and arms at Frankford Arsenal, the U.S. Army's principal manufacturer of small arms ammunition.

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HISTORY

Building 66 was constructed in 1918 as a magazine for the adjacent proof house (Building 65) until the 1950s. Most recently, it was used as a storehouse for inflammable materials.

DESCRIPTION

Building 216 is a single-story frame building, measuring approximately 11 feet by 4 feet, with concrete foundation and asbestos shingle siding. It has a gabled, asphalt shingle roof and two wood sash in the north facade. The door in the east facades leads down concrete steps to magazine, measuring 10 feet by 10 feet.

SOURCE

John Milner Associates, "Historical and Archeological Survey of Frankford Arsenal," West Chester, PA: John Milner Associates, 1979.

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